

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Ruben et al.

Atty. Docket No.: PZ006G13YP1C1D1

Application Serial No.: Unassigned

Art Unit: Unassigned

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Examiner: Unassigned

For:

Secreted Protein HEMCM42

(as amended herein)

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination, applicants hereby request that the following amendments and remarks be entered into the above-identified application. Applicants submit concurrently herewith: (a) an Information Disclosure Statement, with Form PTO/SB/08 and a copy of the cited references AA-CX. Please amend the application as follows.

In the Title:

Please delete the existing title and replace therefor --Secreted Protein HEMCM42

In the Specification

Please amend the specification as follows:

At page 1, please replace the first paragraph with the following paragraph:

-- This application is a Divisional of, and claims benefit under 35 U.S.C. § 120 of copending U.S. Application No. 09/690,454, filed October 18, 2000, which is hereby incorporated by reference, which is a Continuation of U.S. Application No. 09/189,144, filed November 10, 1998, and abandoned on October 31, 2000, which is hereby incorporated by reference, which is a continuation-in-part of, and claims benefit under 35 U.S.C. § 120 of copending International Application No. PCT/US98/10868, filed May 28, 1998, which claims benefit under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e) based on U.S. Provisional Applications:--

At page 61, above line 1, please insert -- Table 1--.

Remarks

The title has been amended to more precisely reflect the presently claimed invention. Applicants have amended the first paragraph of the specification to reflect those applications to which the Applicants are claiming priority. Applicants have amended the specification to include a heading to clarify the location of Table 1 in the specification.

No new matter has been introduced.

Conclusion

Applicants respectfully request that the above-made amendments and remarks be entered and made of record in the file history of the instant application. If there are any fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, please charge the fees to our Deposit Account No. 08-3425.

Respectfully submitted,

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VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

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